

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the title as follows:

~~HEAT RESISTANT LUBRICITY IMPARTING COATING AGENT AND THERMAL
TRANSFER RECORDING MEDIUM~~

HEAT-RESISTANT LUBRICITY IMPARTING COATING AGENT, AND THERMAL
TRANSFER RECORDING MEDIUM

Please replace paragraph [64] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0064] (Manufacturing of Graft Copolymer 6)

A resin solution 6 (solid content: 33.3%) containing a graft copolymer 6 was obtained using the same manufacturing method as that of the above-mentioned graft copolymer 1, except that 30 parts of lauryl methacrylate (LMA) was dropped instead of 30 parts of stearyl methacrylate.

Please replace paragraph [0065] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0065] (Manufacturing of Graft Copolymer 7)

A resin solution 6 7 (solid content: 33.3%) containing a graft copolymer 6 7 was obtained using the same manufacturing method as that of the above-mentioned graft copolymer 1, except that the amount of FM-0721 was 20 parts, the amount of methyl methacrylate was 30 parts, the amount of hydroxyethyl methacrylate was 10 parts, the amount of methacrylic acid was 10 parts, and 30 parts of lauryl methacrylate was dropped instead of 30 parts of stearyl methacrylate.

Please replace paragraph [0143] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0143] This is considered to be because in manufacturing the block copolymers 1 to 9 in Examples ~~1 to 10~~ 11 to 20, the use of azo-group-containing polydimethylsiloxane amide containing the silicon component as the polymerization initiator did not leave the unreacted silicon components. In contrast, in Examples ~~11 to 20~~ 1 to 10, when manufacturing the graft copolymers 1 to 9, the unreacted components (polydimethylsiloxane compounds, vinyl monomers, and the like) were able to be reduced as mentioned above, but the polydimethylsiloxane compound and the vinyl monomer were left as unreacted components.